This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (cancelled)

2. (cancelled)

3. (cancelled)

4. (cancelled)

5. (currently amended) The peripheral length correction device of metal rings as set forth in claim ~~2~~ 6, wherein ~~which is characterized by said abutting body is driven by a predetermined driving mechanism;~~

~~said driving mechanism can move said abutting body in a short direction of the inner peripheral surface of the metal ring laid on said rollers; and~~

said abutting body is moved in such a way that a separating distance in the direction vertical to the inner peripheral surface of said metal ring is increased as the moving distance in the short direction becomes larger.

6. (new) A peripheral length correction device of metal rings with at least two rollers upon which a metal ring is laid, which are displaceable in mutually separating directions, whereby tensile stress can be applied to said metal ring by displacing one or both of said rollers while rotating said rollers to correct a peripheral length thereof, said device is characterized by comprising:

a removal means for removing foreign substances adhered to an inner peripheral surface of said metal ring and

a re-adhesion prevention means for preventing re-adhesion of said foreign substances removed by said removal means to said metal ring;

said removal means has an abutting body which is abutted on the inner peripheral surface of said metal ring by a predetermined pressing force;

said abutting body is driven by a predetermined driving mechanism;

said driving mechanism can move said abutting body in a short direction of the inner peripheral surface of said metal ring laid upon said rollers; and

said abutting body when said metal ring is set to said rollers after being placed in a standby position separated from within said metal ring is moved to within said metal ring and said abutting body is made to contact said metal ring inner peripheral surface by said driving mechanism.